Pass Percentage in J.N.V.

1949. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the pass percentage of students of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas, at Board's Examination in 1997 and 1998, region and Vidyalaya-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that some regions have chargesheeted teachers for lower pass percentage of their Vidyalayas at the above examination, being 90% while others with still lower pass-percentage have not been penalised;

(c) if so, the justification of such discrimination; and

(d) whether these regions have pressed the Vidyalayas to give 100% pass results and all with distinctions, any how?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) The details regarding pass percentage of Navodaya Vidyalaya students at Board Examinations during the year 1997, 1998 regionwise, Vidyalaya-wise is given in Annexure [*See Appendix 186, Annexure no.* 35]

(b) and (c) Information regarding disciplinary action against teachers by regional offices in this regard is being collected.

(d) No, Sir.

Implementation of Education Policy

1950. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the existing education policy of Government failed to show the desired results;

(b) if so, whether Government have now evolved any strategy to implement the Education Policy in some new shape, to achieve better results;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of assistance the Union Government propose to give to State Government for its effective implementation?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) Periodical reviews of the Education Policy have been undertaken in the post-independence era from time to time. At present, the National Policy on Education (NPE), 1986 as updated in 1992 governs the system of Education. The Government, further building on this, has listed out educational priorities in the National Agenda for Governance for which consultations are being held with State Governments upholding the principle of consensus.

(d) The budget proposals for 1999-2000 includes a provision of about Rs. 4,700 crores for the Department of Education (Central Sector).

Quitting Jobs by Navodaya Vidyalaya Teachers

1951. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a large number of teachers have quit Navodaya Vidyalayas in the recent past;

(b) if so, the number of scuh teachers who left in 1998-1999 with reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti have informed that during the year 1998-99, a total of 149 teachers had left the Samiti mainly due to their selection in the higher